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### About KKAF-Vasl Research Grant

The KKAF-Vasl Research Grant aims to support and fund talented emerging artists who demonstrate artistic merit, commitment to their creative practice and show a keen interest in engaging and building ties with the community. The year-long grant supports artists in research and in creation of original works. They are also awarded a solo show at the prestigious Canvas Gallery in Karachi. Artists are chosen from amongst Vasl's annual Taaza Tareen residency.

Since 2018, Khurram Kasim Art Foundation has annually sponsored the year-long KKAF-Vasl Research Grant.

Canvas Gallery has been showcasing the works produced by the recipient of the KKAF-Vasl Research Grant since 2019.

**Mubashar Iqbal** is the sixth recipient of the KKAF-Vasl Research Grant. He was the qualifying artist, chosen from the 15th Taaza Tareen residency Nirala Shehar – The Peculiar City.

## About Khurram Kasim Art Foundation

Khurram Kasim Art Foundation (KKAF) is a not-for-profit organisation, launched in 2017, created by Karachi based art collector Khurram Kasim. Through educational programs, residencies, grants and events, KKAF seeks to facilitate and foster cultural exchange and dialogue between local and international artistic practices and art networks.





# Artist Statement My work depicts an insight into complicated ideologies which inhibit the crux of our culture, consciousness and conscience. I intend to decipher these complexities and convert them into a 'relationship' between various elements, where comparisons among the identity, arrangement and use of these mundane items reflect the world within and without us. My purpose is to echo these dogmas, as an argument on our surroundings and epistemic of society.



Artist: Mubashar Iqbal Title: Golden Beams

Medium: Enamel paint on metal sheet

Size: 20 x 17 Inches



Title: Hedonic

Medium: Enamel paint on metal sheet





Title: Interferings I (Diptych)

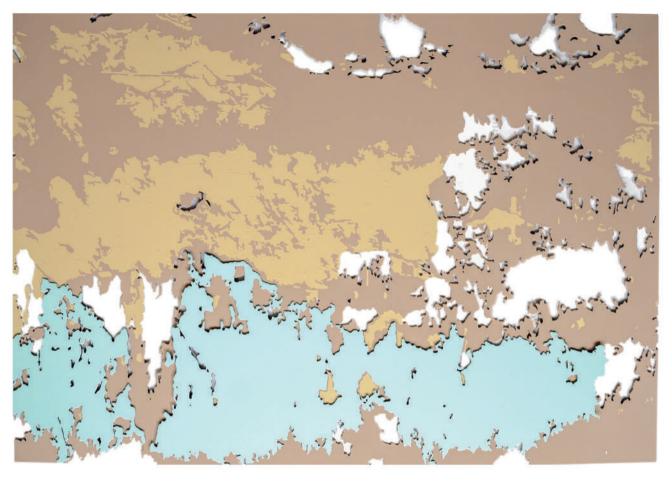
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Title: Interferings II (Diptych)

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Title: Coherent & Captivating

Medium: Enamel paint on metal sheet



Title: The Shifting Cumulus Medium: Enamel paint on metal sheet



Artist: Mubashar Iqbal Title: Still in a while

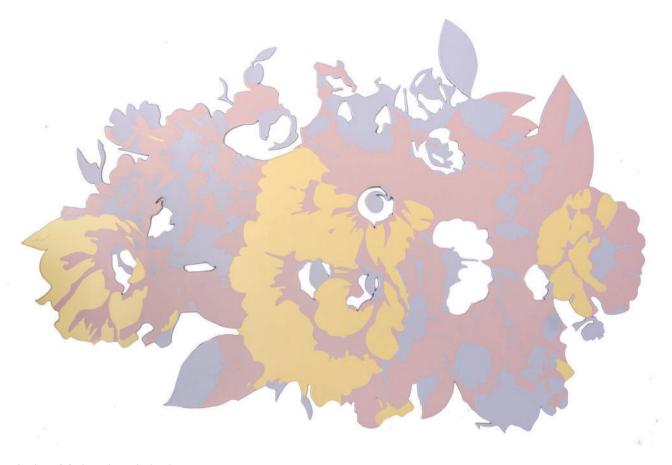
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Artist: Mubashar Iqbal Title: Euphonious Medium: Enamel paint on metal sheet



Title: Stayed True Medium: Enamel paint on metal sheet



Title: Melted

Medium: Enamel paint on metal sheet



Artist: Mubashar Iqbal Title: And Longer Since

Medium: Enamel paint on metal sheet



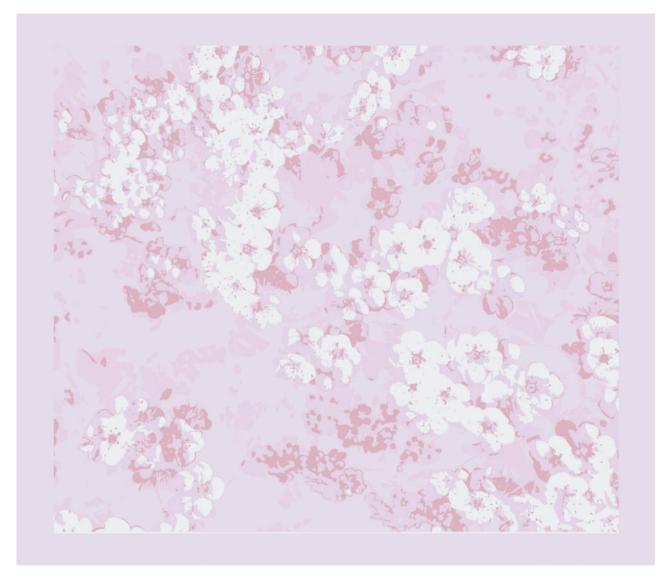
Artist: Mubashar Iqbal Title: Infinite Whispering Medium: Acrylics on canvas

Size: 56 x 70 Inches



Artist: Mubashar Iqbal Title: And Neither am I Medium: Acrylics on canvas

Size: 40 x 48 Inches



Title: Will praise

Medium: Acrylics on canvas

Size: 50 x 58 Inches



Artist: Mubashar Iqbal Title: Wherever I go - I

Medium: Enamel paint on metal sheet



Artist: Mubashar Iqbal Title: Wherever I go - II

Medium: Enamel paint on metal sheet



Title: Most of All

Medium: Enamel paint on metal sheet



Artist: Mubashar Iqbal Title: Something More

Medium: Enamel paint on metal sheet



Artist: Mubashar Iqbal Title: And Only This

Medium: Enamel paint on metal sheet



Artist: Mubashar Iqbal Title: You Anyhow

Medium: Enamel paint on metal sheet



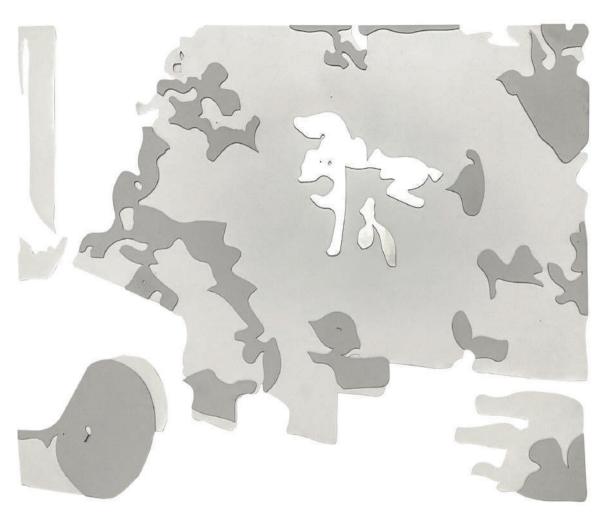
Title: Left Behind

Medium: Enamel paint on metal sheet



Artist: Mubashar Iqbal Title: Fallen Petals

Medium: Enamel paint on metal sheet



Artist: Mubashar Iqbal Title: In Search of

Medium: Enamel paint on metal sheet



Artist: Mubashar Iqbal Title: Ever Flowing

Medium: Enamel paint on metal sheet



Title: Like a Memory Medium: Enamel paint on metal sheet

# Profile Born in 1992, Mubashar Iqbal completed his Bachelor's degree in Fine Art from the National College of Arts (NCA) Lahore, Pakistan in 2019. He has experimented with various art-oriented skills in his practice, completing several projects. Currently, Mubashar Iqbal lives and works in Lahore, Pakistan.

# Education

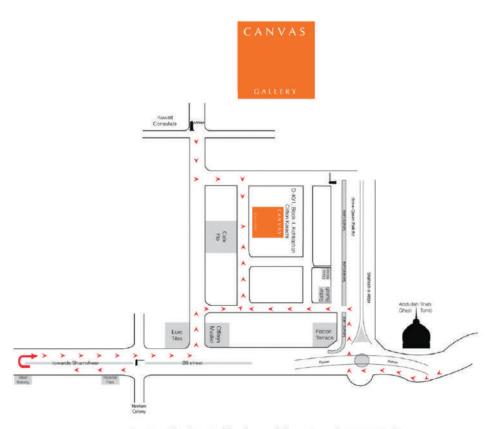
2019 BFA - National College of Arts, Lahore, Pakistan.

# **Exhibitions**

2024	" EPHEMERAL SPECTRUM " Canvas Gallery Karachi, Pakistan.
2023	"DISPARATE VOICES" KHAAS Art Gallery, Islamabad, Pakistan.
2023	"Beneath the Surface" Numaish Gah Art Gallery, Lahore, Pakistan.
2023	"The Peculiar City Group Show, T2F Gallery, Karachi, Pakistan.
2022	"Reprise" Group Show / Canvas Gallery Karachi, Pakistan.
2022	"Silent/Voice" Two Person Show / O Art Space Lahore, Pakistan.
2022	"Before the End of Time" Canvas Gallery Karachi, Pakistan.
2022	"DAR-AAMAD" Group Show / Oort Space Lahore, Pakistan.
2021	"Khat-O-Kitabat "O Art Space with Koel Art Gallery.
2021	"Distance" Two Person Show / O Art Space Lahore, Pakistan.
2019	"Short Stories" Gallery 12.0 Islamabad, Pakistan.
2018	"Reality & Mirror of Reality" Ambassade De France au Pakistan.
2017	"41" Zahoor up Akhlaq NCA Gallery, Lahore, Pakistan.

# Residencies

2023	"Nirala Sheher   The Peculiar City - Taaza Tareen 15" Vasl Artists'
	Association, Karachi, Pakistan.
2021	"Dasani" AIR Islamabad, Pakistan



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